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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1623
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TOMIYAMA; UEYAMA; YANAGIYA;) Examiner: Michael C. Henry
OHKURA)
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Serial No. 09/925,537)
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Filed: August 10, 2001)
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For: **NON-MUCIN TYPE SYNTHETIC COMPOUNDS OR ITS CARRIER
CONJUGATED COMPOUNDS**

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of September 23, 2003, with a three month shortened statutory period to respond set to expire on December 23, 2003. Accordingly, a two-month extension of time along with the proper fee is submitted herewith.

In view of the following remarks and claim amendments, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the rejections and allow all claims as presently claimed in this application.

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